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Patents and Registration on February 2, 2004 in  
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**(Exhibit 3);**

4. European Patent Application No. 0787473 A1 (Uni-Charm Corporation), published August 6, 1997 (**Exhibit 4**);
5. European Patent Application No. 1086679 A2 (Uni-Charm Corporation), published March 28, 2001 (**Exhibit 5**);
6. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0004478 A1 (Lars Mattsson), published January 2, 2003 (**Exhibit 6**);
7. U.S. Patent No. 4,863,448 A (Skip Berg), published September 5, 1989 (**Exhibit 7**);
8. U.S. Patent No. 4,601,716 A (Lonnie W. Smith), published July 22, 1986 (**Exhibit 8**);
9. U.S. Patent No. 4,790,835 A (Barney Elias), published December 13, 1988 (**Exhibit 9**);
10. U.S. Patent No. 6,479,726 B1 (Walter E. Cole), published November 12, 2002 (**Exhibit 10**);
11. U.S. Patent No. 4,731,064 A (Eugene L. Heyden), published March 15, 1988 (**Exhibit 11**);
12. U.S. Patent No. 5,746,222 A (John G. Simon, et al.), published May 5, 1998 (**Exhibit 12**);
13. U.S. Patent No. 6,131,575 A (Jay Lenker, et al.), published October 17, 2000 (**Exhibit 13**); and

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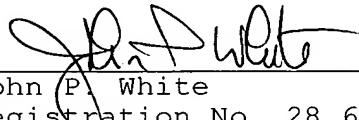
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14. British Patent No. 329,655 A (Charles Russ), published  
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